

# Schechter Shavua

November 25, 2019 ----- 27 Cheshvan 5780

## Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford



#SchechterPride in our middle school participants in KO Model UN... Plus our Parparim students publish their first stories and Dubinim discovers the fun in making fall art. Then, check out the many fun and interesting programs we have coming up in December... you won't want to miss them!

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**Reminders: There are NO CLASSES on Monday, December 2.**  
**Faculty and staff will be in Professional Development.**  
**Enjoy your extended Thanksgiving weekend!**  
**and**  
**NOON dismissal on Wednesday, November 27.**  
**No after school programs and no aftercare (Tzaharon).**

### #SchechterPride

On Sunday, November 17, seven middle school students attended Kingswood Oxford's Model UN for Middle Schools (KOMUN). The students were assigned the countries of Brazil and Turkey and spent several weeks researching information about their assigned country, concentrating on health and trade issues. This was Schechter's first experience with a Model UN and the vast majority said they would do it again. **Zelia** stated, "It was a great experience. I had a lot of fun, and I learned how to do a moderated caucus." **Miriam** commented, "My experience at Model UN changed my view on many things in the world and taught me how to debate. I really liked this experience and would love to do it again." Other students were excited to flaunt the new words they learned as well - a favorite was



decorum. The day of creating resolutions to address major world issues ended with an awards ceremony. *Mazal tov* to **Eliana**, who was presented with a certificate of award as an honorable delegate! The students are looking forward to participating in KOMUN IX, especially now that they have some experience.



## Celebrating the Small Moments in Parparim



The Parparim students have completed their first published works of the year: small moment and pattern stories! Small moment stories are true stories that zoom in on one single moment in time, use extreme detail, and have a beginning, middle and end. The pattern stories use a repeating pattern on each page, end with a twist, and have awesome illustrations!





## Dubonim is Embracing Autumn!

For the past two months, the Dubonim class has focused their learning on leaves for their mini *Reggio Emilia* inspired project. While their activities have encompassed all the different domains of learning, the creative arts area has been the highlight! Last week, the children painted leaves and then flipped them over and rubbed them onto the paper. There was such excitement and pride as the children saw their leaf, in all its amazing detail, appear on their paper!



# Latkes & RELISH

CELEBRATE SCHECHTER STYLE  
FREE + OPEN TO ALL

*Schechter*  
*26 Buena Vista Road*  
*West Hartford*

*Sun, Dec 15*

*10:30 - 12:00 pm*

Click [HERE](#) to RSVP for Latkes and  
RELISH!!

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# ***Havdallah and Hockey***

***Saturday, December 7 2019***

***XL Center Hartford***

***Join BBYO, Emanuel Synagogue, Solomon Schechter Day School and Camp Shalom for a spirited Havdallah followed by hockey with the Hartford Wolfpack.***

***Tickets: \$15***

***Registration deadline: December 1***

***Havdallah: 6:00pm***

***Puck Drop: 7:00pm***

***Please contact your organization for tickets***

## ***Havdallah and Hockey sponsored by BBYO***

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## FROM WITNESS TO PEACE BUILDER: THE RWANDAN GENOCIDE AGAINST THE TUTSI AND ONE MAN'S CHOICE TO STAY

Carl Wilkens will share about recent visits to Rwanda as well as his personal stories from the 1994 genocide against the Tutsi. The “firing” of new brain pathways and our ability to reframe the “other” are some of the powerful tools and practices he has learned from survivors, perpetrators, and his own journey.

**DEC. 12, 7:00 P.M.  
AT SOLOMON SCHECHTER,  
26 BUENA VISTA RD, WEST  
HARTFORD, CT 06107**

**REGISTER AT  
[HARTSEM.EDU/EVENTS](http://HARTSEM.EDU/EVENTS)**

Click [HERE](#) for Carl Wilkens on Dec. 12

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### Grab Great Books and Benefit our Library!

The eighth grade class has embarked upon a library renovation project as part of their graduation gift to the school! After combing through each book on the shelves, they have come up with a collection that they feel will best fit the needs of a library for their generation. To raise money to help fund their renovation project, the students are bundling together extra copies of books that won't be needed. They are selling these bundles for \$1 each! Come by on Friday mornings and afternoons to pick out a few bundles for your home or for someone you love!



### Calendar of Upcoming Events

- November 27: Noon dismissal for Thanksgiving Recess
- November 28-29: School Closed
- December 2: Professional Development (No classes for students)
- December 6: EC joins RELISH in the Beit Tefilah
- December 7: Havdallah and Hockey

- December 8: Voice Recital @ 12pm (NEW TIME!!)
- December 11: Parent Teacher Conferences (Evening)
- December 12: Choir Concert @ 6:30pm
- December 13: Drama performance @ 1:15pm
- December 15: Latkes and RELISH! Come to Schechter @ 10:30am
- December 18: World Dance Performance @ 1:15pm
- December 18: Parent Teacher Conferences (Evening)
- December 20: Middle School Ice Skating Trip

[Click here for More Dates!](#)

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